



County of Fairfax, Virginia

To protect and enrich the quality of life for the people, neighborhoods, and diverse communities of Fairfax County

FAIRFAX COUNTY ATHLETIC COUNCIL

MINUTES

April 20, 2011

2011 Council Members

Magisterial Representatives:

Marcia M. Pape Daniels
Braddock District

Michael D. Champness
Dranesville District

Harold Leff, Chairman
Hunter Mill District

Michael L. Rodgers
Lee District

Barbara R. Lowrey
Mason District

Jonathan Willmott
Mount Vernon District

Stephen McLaughlin
Secretary
Providence District

Michael Thompson, Jr.
Springfield District

David L. Lacey
Sully District

Clement Chan
Diversity-At-Large

Elmer Arias
Member-At-Large

Town Representatives:

Jeffrey E. Stein
Town of Clifton

Gerald W. Carter
Town of Herndon

Sam Althoff
Town of Vienna

Sports-Specific Representatives:

Rob Hahne
Baseball Council

William Minto
Fast Pitch Softball Council

Carl A. S. Coan, III
Adult Softball Council

E. J. Thomas
Basketball Council

Mark Meana, Vice Chairman
Football Council

Bret Bailey
Lacrosse Council

Lula Bauer
Soccer Council

Jill Fitzgerald
Volleyball Council

Jenni Cantwell
Women's Sports

Non-Voting Members:

Tod Jonhson
Park Authority

Bill Curran
School Board

Executive Agency:

Christopher Leonard
Director
Neighborhood and Community Services

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marcia Pape Daniels, Braddock District
Tonya A. McCreary, Braddock District Alternate
Harold Leff, Hunter Mill District
James Elder, Hunter Mill District Alternate
Karin Stamper, Lee District Alternate
Barbara Lowrey, Mason District
Stephen McLaughlin, Providence District
Michael Thompson Jr., Springfield District
Mark Heilbrun, Springfield District Alternate
David Lacey, Sully District
Clement Chan, Diversity-at-Large
Eric T. Sohn, Diversity-at-Large
Elmer Arias, Member-at-Large
Rob Hahne, Baseball Council
William Minto, Fast-Pitch Softball Council
Carl Coan, Slow Pitch Softball Council
Lula Bauer, Soccer Council
Jenni Cantwell, Women's Sports Programs

COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:

Ken Quincy, Fairfax County Park Authority
Karen Avvisato, Neighborhood and Community Services
Steve Groff, Neighborhood and Community Services

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Michael Champness, Dranesville District
Michael Rodgers, Lee District
Jonathan Willmott, Mount Vernon District
Gerald W. Carter, Town of Herndon
Sam Althoff, Town of Vienna
Jeffrey Stein, Town of Clifton
E.J. Thomas, Basketball Council
Mark Meana, Football Council
Bret Bailey, Lacrosse Council
Jill Fitzgerald, Volleyball Council

GUESTS:

Fairfax County Athletic Council
12011 Government Center Parkway
Fairfax, Virginia 22035
703 324-5501



MEETING OPENING

Mr. Leff called the meeting to order at 7:42 p.m. The roll was called and a quorum was present.

PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL

None.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

The March 16, 2011 minutes were approved.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Turf Field Committee:

N/A

Policy Committee:

The Committee is looking for areas of interest and planning to develop a priority list : tournament, allocation, background check etc.. and will start working in the next two months.

Adopt a Field /Gym Committee:

The Committee is active. Committee is in the process of collecting data which breaks down the number of fields adopted by sport, magisterial district and jurisdiction. The group is also trying to identify ways to incentivize groups to adopt fields.

Scholarship/Fee Committee:

No meeting at this time.

Champions of Character Committee:

The committee will try to meet before May.

By laws Committee:

The Committee is reviewing the areas of interest.

MATTERS OF INTEREST FROM GOVERNING BODIES

Information – Fairfax County Public Schools:

N/A

Information – Fairfax County Park Authority:

Mr. Quincy reported that the Park Authority is in process of responding to articles in the newspaper regarding the Park Authority's turf field replacement plan.

Information - Neighborhood and Community Services:

Ms. Avisato reported that the board of supervisors has budgeted \$350,000 to match \$150,000 from the application fee for a total of \$500,000 for turf field replacement and it is likely be approved by the board.

She also passed out the mini-grant approval letters for McLean Youth Soccer and Great Falls LAX. She stated that the letter for Chantilly Youth Association is still under reviewed and expected to be approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Information – Baseball Representative:

Mr. Hahne reported that members of Russian baseball delegation visited the Baseball Council. They would like to do some research in facility development and building baseball in Russia.

Mr. Lacey said that the sleep initiative may come back; however, Council needs to revisit the request and find ways that the Athletic Community can work around the issue.

OLD BUSINESS

Information – Walk-on Use Policy:

Ms. Bauer stated that the hearing before the Park Authority Board was good; however, the new board doesn't feel the emotional impact. The Athletic Community has submitted 350 to 400 public comments, of which approximately 99% are for the reduction.

From the discussion with the Park Authority Board, Mr. Leff said that the Park Board felt like there would be problems with the enforcement of the walk-on-policy and not with the number of participants. His response to the board was that a lower number eases the enforcement.

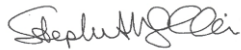
Information – Re-keying schools locks:

Mr. Hahne reported that there were some logistical issues regarding the distribution and availability of new keys on high schools fields. Mr. Curran is attempting to refine the plan.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stephen McLaughlin".

Stephen McLaughlin
Secretary